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✓ Client's Docket No. MIM961

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
Re Patent Application of )  
CARLOS FLOREZ )  
Serial No.: 09/276,107 )  
Filed: 3/25/99 )  
For: PERSONALIZED SAFETY DEVICE )  
FOR A HAND HELD WEAPON )  
Examiner: J. Richardson )  
Group Art Unit: 3641 )  
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Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:


**Response to Examiner Fax sent February 9, 2001**

It is my understanding from the above mentioned fax and subsequent phone conversation that the Examiner believes amendments to the claims were improperly executed. Upon inspection of the original claims in comparison to the amendment filed November 28, 2000, the quoted limitations in the Amendment were already present in claim 1. Therefore, they are not additions or deletions and the amendment is believed to be correct as filed. We are particularly pleased that the arguments were found to be persuasive as the fax indicates that the appropriate amended claim information would facilitate allowance of the claims 1 through 7.

In light of the foregoing remarks, allowance of this application are most courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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REFERENCE TO AMENDMENT  
DATED NOV 28 2000 (PAPER NO. 3)

AMENDED CLAIMS 1 TO 7 DO NOT  
SHOW ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH MPEP  
REQUIREMENTS.

PLEASE FAX APPROPRIATE AMENDED  
CLAIM INFORMATION TO (703) 305-0285  
TO FACILITATE ALLOWANCE OF  
CLAIMS 1 TO 7 AND NEW CLAIM 8.

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